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SUMMARY OF INTERVIEW

Exhibits and/or Demonstrations

None

Identification of Claims Discussed

Claims 1 and 24

Identification of Prior Art Discussed

U.S. Patent No. 4,546,510 to Harrison, U.S. Patent No. Des. 375,051 to Strenkowski and U.S. Patent No. 5,863,251 to Fusco.

Proposed Amendments

Proposed amendments to Claims 1 and 24 were discussed.

Principal Arguments and Other Matters

Applicant's counsel and the Examiner discussed amendments to Claims 1 and 24 to recite that the elongated shaft of the personal defense device is fabricated from a single piece of material that comprises blunt, rounded edges substantially entirely thereabout, and that the proximal end of the elongated shaft that comprises the opening and the protrusion at the distal end of the elongated shaft are positioned opposite to one another at locations forward of the open-sided recesses on the forward side of the elongated shaft. Applicant submitted that these limitations are not taught or suggested by the cited art.

Results of Interview

Applicant agreed to submit an amendment to the claims as discussed during the interview.